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SUBJECT: NEW ZEALAND REQUESTS FOR COCKPIT AUTHORIZATIONS
AND FREE TRANSPORTATION ON AMERICAN AIRLINES

REF: STATE 137248

SUMMARY

1. NZ MINTRANSPORT HAS REPLIED TO EMB LETTER
INFORMING GNZ OF FAA REFUSAL TO AUTHORIZE NZ CIVAIR
AUTHORITIES ACCESS TO AMERICAN AIRLINES (AAL) AIRCRAFT
FLIGHT DECK AND GIVING REASONS AS OUTLINED IN REFTTEL.

2. REPLY STATES AAL HAS MISINTERPRETED CIVAIR
INTENTIONS. MINTRANSPORT HAS REQUESTED MINFONAFF (MFA)
INSTRUCT THE NZ EMBASSY WASH TAKE UP MATTER WITH
DEP OF STATE AS CIVAIR "ANXIOUS TO AVOID ANY CONFRONTATION
WHICH MAY JEOPARDISE THE PARTICULARLY GOOD
RELATIONSHIP THAT HAS HITHERTO EXISTED" BETWEEN CIVAIR
AND US CARRIERS. END SUMMARY.

3. ACCORDING TO MEMORANDUM MINTRANSPORT SENT TO
MFA ON AUGUST 9 GENERAL DIRECTIVE NO 1 WAS ISSUED
EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 1968 TO ALL INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES
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SERVING NZ IN TERMS OF IATA RES 200G PROVIDING

FREE TRANSPORTATION FOR DULY AUTHORIZED
TECHNICAL OFFICERS OF MINISTRY "FOR THE PURPOSES OF
FLIGHT FAMILIARISATION". DIRECTIVE HAS BEEN APPLIED
BY AIR NEW ZEALAND AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES
WITH CONCURRENCE OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS CONCERNED AND
THEIR CIVIL AUTHORITIES.

4. ACCORDING TO MEMORANDUM GNZ CIVIL DOES NOT
DISPUTE FAA'S POSITION ON "CHECKING" OR "INSPECTION"
OF US AIRCRAFT BY GNZ CIVIL PERSONNEL, BUT GEN
DIRECTIVE NO 1 AIMS ARE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION IN
CONNECTION WITH IN FLIGHT TRAINING PROGRAMS. MEMO
CITES PART 224.2 OF US CAB REGULATIONS AS MAKING
SIMILAR PROVISIONS.

5. MEMO ACKNOWLEDGES PAST GNZ CORRESPONDENCE WITH
AAL HAS CONVEYED THE "ERRONEOUS IMPRESSION" THAT GNZ
ATTEMPTING APPLY DOMESTIC REGULATIONS IN AN EXTRATERRITORIAL
CONTEXT. REF IN PARA 2 GNZ LETTER OF NOVEMBER 20, 1972
TO AAL RE CIVIL AVIATION REGULATIONS 81 CITED AS EXAMPLE.

6. ACCORDING TO CIVIL GEN DIR NO 1 NOT
INTENDED TO IMPOSE GENERAL AUTHORISATION FOR TRAVEL
OUTSIDE NZ POINTS AND FOREIGN AIR CARRIERS NOT
OBLIGED PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION ON FLIGHTS ORIGINATING
BEYOND NZ TERRITORY. NANTI HAS BEEN AN
EXCEPTION WHILE GNZ EXERCISES RESPONSIBILITIES AS
AIRPORT ADMINISTERING AUTHORITY BUT GNZ CIVIL
AUTHORITIES RECOGNIZE "RELIANCE ON CONTINUING GOODWILL
OF US AIRLINES AND US CIVIL AUTHORITIES
ON NANTI ORIGINATING FLIGHTS."

7. COPY OF GNZ LETTER AND MEMORANDUM BEING FORWARDED BY
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